

### **Remarks**

The Applicants note with appreciation the withdrawal of the rejection of Claims 9 and 15 under 35 USC §112, second paragraph. The Applicants also note with appreciation the withdrawal of the rejection of Claims 3, 5 – 6, 19 – 21 and 23 under 35 USC §103 over Wu '074.

Finally, the Applicants note with appreciation the indication that Claims 8 – 18 would be allowable if rewritten into independent form.

The Applicants have amended Claim 1 to include the subject matter of all of Claim 8. The Applicants, therefore, respectfully submit that Claim 1 is now in condition for allowance. Claim 8 has been cancelled in view of the incorporation of the subject matter thereof into Claim 1. Claim 1 has also been amended to remove the “excluding the case where all of R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup>, R<sup>3</sup> and R<sup>4</sup> denote a hydrogen atom respectively” language since it is inconsistent with other language in that claim.

Claim 9 has been amended to depend from Claim 1 in view of the cancellation of Claim 8. Claim 11 has also been amended into independent form. The Applicants, therefore, respectfully submit that Claims 1 and 9 – 18 are now in condition for allowance.

The Applicants also respectfully submit that Claims 19 and 20 are now in condition for allowance inasmuch as they depend from Claims 1 or 11 and 19, respectively. Confirmation of allowance is respectfully requested.

Claims 21 – 24 have been cancelled.

Claim 1 stands rejected under 35 USC §103 over Wu '074. The Applicants respectfully submit that this rejection is now moot in view of the incorporation of the subject matter of Claim 8 into Claim 1. Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

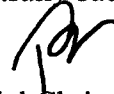
Claims 1 and 19 – 24 stand rejected under 35 USC §102 as being anticipated by Wu '120. The Applicants respectfully submit that this rejection is also moot in view of the incorporation of the

subject matter of Claim 8 into Claim 1 and in view of the cancellation of Claims 21 – 24.

Withdrawal of the rejection is respectfully requested.

In light of the foregoing, the Applicants respectfully submit that the entire application is now in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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